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Dear Josh:

I hope the enclosed letter is self-explanatory. I don't know whether the members or staffs of Senator Ribicoff's committee were aware of the series of six articles by Nicholas Wade and Constance Holden that appeared sequentially in Science, from the last issue in February through the first week of April, 1972. This series seemed to discredit Dr. Morris and Mr. Turner rather thoroughly.

Of course I am anxious that the right course of action be taken, but when I learned that the same two men, Morris and Turner, were the instigators of this disturbance, as they were six years ago, I wondered about their motives -- personal gain or genuine concern about the welfare of the nation's health regarding vaccines and the blood program.

Do you have any comments as to the validity of my comments and conclusions? I would appreciate them.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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Josh: I faid it hard to believe these Senators would want to go through with another BAO with with hunt y the Reihalas Wade - Constance Holden articles are correct so published in Science . Lest week of Febr. Three' 1st wh. of apr., 6 in all. B